IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPOINTMENT OF CONTRACT COURT INTERPRETERS)	ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2013-142
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Whereas the Superior Court of Arizona in Maricopa County is experiencing an urgent need for a qualified English<>Somali court interpreter owing to a demand for interpretation services for Somali speaking defendants, victims and witnesses, and lack of availability of current contractors; and

Whereas the existing court interpreter vendors do not have qualified and reliable Somali language interpreters;

Due to these circumstances and the urgency in providing interpretation services to judicial divisions and other vital court programs, it is necessary to temporarily engage the services of qualified providers. This action will avoid delays and continuances of cases requiring English<>Somali interpretation services. Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. Said Yusuf, employee of Midwest Interpreting/Translation Services (MITS), be able to work as an English<>Somali contract court interpreter during the period August 1, 2013 June 30, 2014.
- 2. Said Yusuf, employee of Midwest Interpreting/Translation Services (MITS), be compensated at the rate of \$75.00 per hour for in-person assignments, with a minimum of 8 hours per day. For telephonic interpretation, the rate will be \$45.00 for the first 30 minutes, then \$1.50 per minute thereafter. All travel, lodging and ground transportation expenses will be borne by the Court. In addition, Said Yusuf will receive a per diem of up to \$50.00 per day provided that receipts are submitted with invoice.
- 3. Said Yusuf, employee of Midwest Interpreting/Translation Services (MITS), be exempt from providing proof of liability and professional insurance.

4. Said Yusuf, employee of Midwest Interpreting/Translation Services (MITS), abide by the Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct for Court Interpreters established by this Court.

Dated this 31st day of July, 2013.

/s/ Norman J. Davis

Norman J. Davis Presiding Judge

Original: Clerk of the Superior Court

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